

**AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 118-
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Page 1, strike line 1 and all that follows and insert the following:

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Asylum Seeker Work
3 Authorization Act of 2023”.

4 **SEC. 2. EMPLOYMENT AUTHORIZATION FOR ALIENS SEEK-
5 ING ASYLUM.**

6 Paragraph (2) of section 208(d) of the Immigration
7 and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1158(d)) is amended to
8 read as follows:

9 “(2) EMPLOYMENT AUTHORIZATION.—

10 “(A) ELIGIBILITY.—The Secretary of
11 Homeland Security shall authorize employment
12 for an applicant for asylum who is not in deten-
13 tion and whose application for asylum has not
14 been determined frivolous.

15 “(B) APPLICATION.—An applicant for asy-
16 lum who is not otherwise eligible for employ-
17 ment authorization shall not be granted such

1 authorization prior to 30 days after the date of
2 filing of the application for asylum.

3 “(C) TERM.—Employment authorization
4 for an applicant for asylum shall be valid until
5 the date on which an applicant is issued a final
6 denial of the applicable application, including
7 administrative and judicial review.”.

